Arbor Day Poster Contest

4th Grade

\*\*Let students know that they will compete next year as 5th graders. This year is practice.

1. Explain Arbor Day.

*Arbor Day is a nationally-celebrated observance that encourages tree planting and care. Founded by J. Sterling Morton in 1872, it's celebrated on the last Friday in April*

[*http://www.arborday.org/arborday/*](http://www.arborday.org/arborday/)

1. Create a poster for Arbor Day

Use this checklist to ensure all entries are eligible for judging. Entries that don't meet these guidelines will be disqualified.

1. All posters must be original artwork created by a student in fourth or fifth grade. Homeschooled students must be learning at the fourth or fifth grade level in **science** to participate.
2. The student's first and last name must be written or signed in the upper, right-hand corner on the **back** of the poster.
3. Posters may be done in marker, crayon, watercolor, ink, acrylic, colored pencil and/or tempura paint. Collages are not acceptable. **Do not glue anything to your poster.** Computer or photo-generated art and/or lettering also is not acceptable without advance permission from the contest coordinator.
4. Posters must be no smaller than 8.5 inches by 11 inches and no larger than 11 inches by 17 inches.
5. Posters must be done on paper that will allow for duplication, display and framing. Posters should not be matted, mounted, laminated, framed or folded.
6. The poster must be related to the contest theme in some way. The theme - **Trees are Terrific...in all Shapes and Sizes!** - must be on the poster. All words on the poster must be spelled correctly.

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